

Introduced by Senator FlorezFebruary 22, 2005

An act to amend Section 51220 of the Education Code, relating to career technical education.

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SB 1011, as introduced, Florez. High school graduation requirements: career technical education.

Existing law requires school districts to adopt a course of study for grades 7 to 12, inclusive, that includes career technical education.

This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to that provision.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 51220 of the Education Code is
2 amended to read:
3 51220. The adopted course of study for grades 7 to 12,
4 inclusive, shall offer courses in the following areas of study:
5 (a) English, including knowledge of and appreciation for
6 literature, language, and composition, and the skills of reading,
7 listening, and speaking.
8 (b) Social sciences, drawing upon the disciplines of
9 anthropology, economics, geography, history, political science,
10 psychology, and sociology, designed to fit the maturity of the
11 pupils. Instruction shall provide a foundation for understanding
12 the history, resources, development, and government of
13 California and the United States of America; instruction in our

1 American legal system, the operation of the juvenile and adult
2 criminal justice systems, and the rights and duties of citizens
3 under the criminal and civil law and the State and Federal
4 Constitutions; the development of the American economic
5 system, including the role of the entrepreneur and labor; the
6 relations of persons to their human and natural environment;
7 eastern and western cultures and civilizations; human rights
8 issues, with particular attention to the study of the inhumanity of
9 genocide, slavery, and the Holocaust, and contemporary issues.

10 (c) Foreign language or languages, beginning not later than
11 grade 7, designed to develop a facility for understanding,
12 speaking, reading, and writing the particular language.

13 (d) Physical education, with emphasis given to physical
14 activities that are conducive to health and to vigor of body and
15 mind, as required by Section 51222.

16 (e) Science, including the physical and biological aspects, with
17 emphasis on basic concepts, theories, and processes of scientific
18 investigation and on the place of humans in ecological systems,
19 and with appropriate applications of the interrelation and
20 interdependence of the sciences.

21 (f) Mathematics, including instruction designed to develop
22 mathematical understandings, operational skills, and insight into
23 problem-solving procedures.

24 (g) Visual and performing arts, including dance, music,
25 theater, and visual arts, with emphasis upon development of
26 aesthetic appreciation and the skills of creative expression.

27 (h) Applied arts, including instruction in the areas of consumer
28 and homemaking education, industrial arts, general business
29 education, or general agriculture.

30 (i) Career technical education, designed and conducted for the
31 purpose of preparing youth for gainful employment in the
32 occupations and in the numbers that are appropriate to the
33 personnel needs of the state and the community served and
34 relevant to the career desires and needs of the pupils.

35 (j) Automobile driver education, designed to develop a
36 knowledge of the provisions of the Vehicle Code and other laws
37 of this state relating to the operation of motor vehicles, a proper
38 acceptance of personal responsibility in traffic, a true
39 appreciation of the causes, seriousness, and consequences of
40 traffic accidents, and to develop the knowledge and attitudes

- 1 necessary for the safe operation of motor vehicles. A course in
- 2 automobile driver education shall include education in the safe
- 3 operation of motorcycles.
- 4 (k) Other studies as may be prescribed by the governing board.

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